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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 650,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—H. HOPKINS, Esq.
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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

To Let.

TO LET.

NO. 4, and 5, PRINCE TERRACE, ELGIN STREET.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.
House No. 2, and 3, Peddar's Hill.
"Blanco Villa," Pok-fo-jum, Furnished.
DAVID SASSOON, BONS & Co.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1, D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Three Offices, in Club Chambers.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

For Sale.

COAL.

BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM COAL for Sale, ex Godown.
Apply to
BATTLES & Co.
Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 302.—By ERNEST JOHN EITZ, Ph.D. Tübingen.
Price: Two Dollars and a Half.
To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KYLE & WALKER, Shanghai.
Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO. HAVE FOR SALE.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF AMERICAN COOKING & PARLOUR STOVES.

RENDERS and FIRE IRONS.
Superior California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS.
FAIRBANK'S SCALES, from 400 lb. to 2,500 lb.
BRUSSELS and TAPESTRY CARPETS, various patterns.
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DOOR MATS.
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Central and Pin-fire CARTRIDGE CASES.
GUN-WADS, PERCUSSION CAPS.

STATIONERY, of every description. BOOKS.

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French APPLES, and LEMONS.
SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.
MACKEREL, TONGUES & SOUNDS.
Family PIG PORK, and Prime Mess BEEF, in Kegs 25 lb. each.
CAYIARE, SARDINES, and Spiced ANCHOVIES.
Prime American BACON and HAMS.
Cutting's JAMS and JELLIES Assorted.
GRAHAM FLOUR, CORN MEAL, RYE MEAL, &c., &c.
Canned Dessert FRUITS.
Compressed CORNED BEEF, and BEEF TONGUES.
PICKLED SALMON, in Quantities to suit Purchasers.
COGNAC & BLACKWELL'S OILMAN'S STORES, of every kind; Fresh Supplies received by every Steamer.
CLARET in Cask, (BANDOL), Superior Quality.
BAROLAY PERKIN'S PORTER, in Hogsheads and Kilderkins.
GUINNESS'S STOUT, Bottled by E. & J. BURKE, in Pints and Quarts.
BASS' PALE ALE, Bottled by CAMERON and SAUNDERS, in Pints and Quarts.
&c., &c., &c.
Hongkong, January 3, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

NOTICE.
THE Business hitherto conducted in my name will from this Date be Carried on under the Style of GROSSMANN & Co., Mr. G. A. GROSSMANN having become a Partner therein.
C. F. GROSSMANN.
Hongkong, January 1, 1878. ja2

NOTICE.
MR. BERNHARD SCHMAOKER is authorized to Sign our Firm by procuration.
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai, January 1, 1878. ja2

NOTICE.
MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from this Date.
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1878. ap2

NOTICE.
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JOSEPH PERKINS BARNES in our Firm in China CEASES from this Date.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, December 31, 1877. ja31

NOTICE.
MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
G. R. STEVENS.
Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
J. T. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. my1

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS, ENGINEERS and BOILERMAKERS, BY
WILLIAM DUNPHY & Co.,
Late Manager of the NOVELTY IRON WORKS, Hongkong.
Wm. DUNPHY.
Hongkong, December 10, 1877. ja10

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

PARCELS EXPRESS AGENCY, in connection with WHEATLEY & Co., LONDON. Packages Received for transmission to Great Britain by each P. & O. Mail; Charges can be Collected either here or in England. The following particulars of Packages are required—Contents, Value, Address of Consignee, and whether Insurance be desired.

SPECIAL ORDER DEPARTMENT.—Orders Received and Promptly Executed, for Books, Scientific Instruments, and European Goods of any Description.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-third Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road, on FRIDAY, the 26th January instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing a Director and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA OOSTA, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January instant, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA OOSTA, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 2, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hotel on FRIDAY, the 26th January instant, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878. ja25

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878. ja25

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.
TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.
Hongkong, September 18, 1877. ap1

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. W. C. EASTLACK will Commence Practice in HONGKONG, on the 20th Instant.
Hongkong, January 16, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to say that he has RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patients.
Hongkong, November 22, 1877. ja11

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

General Agents.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY.

ON and after this Date the PRICE of our ICE will be TWO CENTS per Pound.

KYLE & BAIN, Proprietors.
ICE HOUSE, January 21, 1878. ja28

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.
46, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, August 20, 1877. fe20

W. BAIL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, 55, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf, Hongkong, July 13, 1878.

NOTICE.

SHANGHAI, January 7th, 1878.

IN Accordance with a Resolution passed at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of July 5th, 1877, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Shareholders of Taels 49.50 per Share for the fiscal Year ending the 30th September, 1877, and a further Dividend of Taels 10.50 per Share, being interest on Shareholders' Capital at the Rate of 12 per cent. per Annum, for the quarter ending December, 1877.

The above Dividends (Taels 60 per Share) will be Payable on the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Secretaries to Shareholders of record on the 10th Instant.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 15th Instant, inclusive.
Persons collecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their Powers of Attorney for registry at this Office.

By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.
Hongkong, January 22, 1878. fe1

DEVOS'S BRILLIANT OIL.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our package. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOS'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOS MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOS MANUFACTURING Co.,
80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets,
NEW YORK, U. S. A. ja11

Intimations.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to Accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.
For full information and particulars, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Half-past 2 o'clock in the Afternoon of FRIDAY, the 15th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1877.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 15th February, both days inclusive.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.
Hongkong, January 18, 1878. fe15

ESTATE OF DODD & Co.

AT the MEETING held on the 12th Instant at Messrs DODD & Co.'s Offices, the following RESOLUTIONS were carried:—
1. That the affairs of the said DODD & Co. shall be Liquidated by arrangement, and not in Bankruptcy.
2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he is hereby appointed Trustee.
3. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND PRY be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Inspection.

ALL PAYMENTS on account of the Estate, if it is requested, will be Paid to the order of the Undersigned.
F. CHOMLEY,
Trustee for the Estate of DODD & Co.

Amoy, January 14, 1878.

Entertainment.

AMATEUR THEATRICALS IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES.

"STILL WATERS RUN DEEP" will be presented at the THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, on

Thursday Evening, the 31st Instant, Commencing at Nine o'clock.

Tickets may be obtained from any of the Committee on and after THURSDAY, January 24th.

TICKETS.....TWO DOLLARS EACH.

COMMITTEE:
Commander Sir WILLIAM WISEMAN, B.M.
Captain MOORE-LANE, 28th Regiment.
JOHN M. FORBES, Jun.
ATWELL COXON.
CHAS. C. COHEN.

EDWARD TOBIN,
Honorary Treasurer.
Hongkong, January 22, 1878. fe1

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
On a Date hereafter to be named.

The British Barque "ALPHINGTON,"

of 226 Tons Register, or of about 8,000 pious Carrying Capacity, with all her TACKLE, APPAREL and INVENTORY.

The Vessel was Built under Lloyd's special survey at Berwick-on-Tweed in 1856, Classed 12 years A. 1. at Lloyd's and continued in 1868 A. 1. for 8 years. She was Remetalled over Felt in London in July, 1876.

TERMS.—One-third of the purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the remainder upon Transfer being effected. The Vessel is at Purchaser's risk immediately after fall of hammer.
Hongkong, January 22, 1877.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "GLENLYN" shortly expected from SHANGHAI and AMOY, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. Glenlyne.
Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The British Steamer "CALENSMUIR" Capt. SPURWAY, shortly expected from SINGAPORE, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, January 19, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

The British Steamer "LOREN" shortly expected from SINGAPORE, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELOCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 17, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA," Comdt. ROLLAND, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 18, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "YANGTSE," Comdt. RAPATTE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

H. DU POUY, Agent.
Hongkong, January 18, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR HAMBURG (DIRECT.)

The 41 German Bark "JURGEN," WENDT, Master, will load here and meet with quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, December 28, 1877.

FOR LONDON.

The 100 1/2 British Ship "BROOMHALL," H. BATE, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 7, 1878.

FOR NAGASAKI.

The 41 American Barkentine "ANNIE S. HALL," NELSON, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Barkentine "MARION," R. HOWES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON.

The 41 British Ship "ONEIDA," S. CLYDE, Master, having 3/4ths of her Cargo engaged, will load here as above, and will be despatched on or about the 31st December.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

Notices to Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship *OCEANTO*, from San Francisco, &c., are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

G. R. EMORY,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878. ja25

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Galley of Lorne* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama, unless notice be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 28th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents, S. S. *Galley of Lorne*.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878. ja26

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark *VEGA*, from Hamburg, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by Wm. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSENGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY,
Agent.

Ex "Sindh,"
Mr. G. K. Hartman, 1 case Cricketing
H.M.S. *Mosquito*, Goods from London.
Hongkong, January 17, 1878.

Intimations.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst.

Warrants will be delivered by the Underigned to Shareholders or their lawful representatives on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th instant, inclusive.

By Order,

RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.

Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

Volume Sixth of the "CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

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CHINA REVIEW

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Imperial Confucianism.

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On Silk-worm Oaks.

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A Chinese Advertisement.

Studies of Words.

Distillation in China.

A Chinese Coin.

The Desert of Gobi.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Australian Coast Ports.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s S.S. "BOVEN" will be despatched from SINGAPORE for BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, (calling at the usual Australian Coast Ports), on the 5th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to the Underigned, who are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"

Captain G. D. FITZMA, will be despatched for the above

Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja27

FOR MANILA.

The Spanish Steamer "MARIPELES,"

Munoz, Master, will be despatched as above on MONDAY Next,

the 28th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja28

GERMAN BARQUE INDIA, FROM HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja28

NOTICE.

ANY CLAIMS against the German barque "NIAGARA," must be sent in to the Underigned before Noon on SATURDAY, the 26th instant, or they will not be recognized.

MELOHRS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja28

NORWEGIAN BARK "VEGA."

TENDERS WANTED for DOCKING the above Vessel, for STRIPPING her BOTTOM, and for CAULKING, also for new YELLOW METAL SHEATHING.

Applications are to be made up to TOMORROW, the 24th instant, 4 p.m., on Board with Capt. NORDSTADT, and, or with

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja24

Charters Effectuated.

The following charters have been effected during the last few days:—

Danish bark Assens, 250, hence to Dunkirk, £1.15 per ton of 50 ft.

French bark Sophie D., 753, 110 110 to Channel for orders to a port in the United Kingdom or to New York or Boston, private.

German bark Ferdinand, 418, Chetoo to Swatow 19 cents per picul, or to Amoy for orders 21 cents per picul, 20 day days.

German bark Cordes, 420, Chetoo to Swatow 19 cents per picul, or to Amoy for orders 21 cents per picul, 20 day days.

German bark Helena, 372, hence to Chetoo and back 24 cents per picul, 25 day days.

German bark Humboldt, 830, Shanghai to Tientsin and back to Swatow via Newchwang 60 cents per picul, 55 day days.

American bark Ada Wiswell, 556, Saigon to Calcutta, £1,500 in full.

British steamer Charlton, Haiphong to Hongkong, private.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. Schwaer.—Melchers & Co.

YESTA, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks.—Melchers & Co.

ADELINA & MARIANNE, German barque, Captain O. N. Dahl.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

QUICKSTEP, American barque, Captain Barnaby.—Captain.

TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kasemba.—Melchers & Co.

MARION, British steamer, Capt. J. H. Broker.—Stemmen & Co.

ABERNETHY, British barque, Captain Congour.—Order.

ZANESBARI, British steamer, Captain Gardner Fox.—Captain.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 23, Douglas, British steamer, 884, Pitman, Fochow Jan. 20, Amoy 21, and Swatow 23, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.

Jan. 23, Hoi Chong Ching, Chinese R. Co., from Canton.

Jan. 23, Hoochung, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Jan. 23, Gatherer, American ship, 1808, J. A. Thomson, Cardiff Sept. 8, Coal.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

Jan. 23, Norma, British steamer, 606, Walker, Swatow Jan. 22, General.—Kwox AORONG.

Jan. 23, Alice M. Minot, American ship, 1100, F. D. Whitmore, Yokohama Dec. 23, Ballast.—Ogden.

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 23, Tientsin, for Canton.

23, Picouet MacDuff, for Trieste.

23, Clara, for Swatow.

23, Maria, for Saigon.

23, Montara, for Singapore.

23, Nautilus, Ger. g.b., for Singapore.

CLEARED.

Onside, for Hamburg.

Galley of Lorne, for Yokohama.

Hoochung, for Shanghai.

Humboldt, for Shanghai.

Ferdinand, for Chetoo.

John A. Brown, for Guam.

PASSENGERS.

Per *Douglas*, from Coast Ports, Messrs Bishop, Goldsmith, Pike, Moran, Olsson, Rasmussen, Macintosh, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley and child, Miss S. Woolston, Miss H. B. Woolston, Mrs. Lang and child, 5 Europeans, and 126 Chinese.

Per *Norma*, from Swatow, 220 Chinese.

Per *Maria*, for Saigon, 110 Chinese.

To DEPART.

Per *Hoochung*, for Shanghai, 1 European and 25 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports: To Swatow experienced a brisk monsoon and cloudy weather, and thence to port light breeze and clear weather. In Fochow:—S. S. *Hankow*. In Amoy:—H. M. S. *Maggie*, and U. S. S. *Ranger*. In Swatow:—S. S. *Pearl*.

The American ship *Gatherer* reports: Light weather the entire voyage. Reached the Equator in 88 days, but were 60 days to Cape of Good Hope, and 7 weeks from Sandalwood Island to port.

The British steamer *Norma* reports: Experienced light northerly winds throughout the passage.

The American ship *Alice M. Minot* reports: First part of passage had light winds and calm; latter part heavy gales and strong N.E. monsoon.

CARGO.

Per S. S. *Patrolus*, for London, sailed 19th January, 1878:—39,194 lbs. Congou, 169,797 lbs. Scented Capes, 720 lbs. Scented Orange Pekoe, 990 lbs. Sorts, 2,562 pkgs. Matting, 29 pkgs. Silk Piece Goods, 16 pkgs. Fongee, 34 pkgs. Waste Silk, and 163 pkgs. Sundries.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For HOIHOW and HAIPHONG, with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanol.

Per *Daik*, at 3.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 26th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *TIGRE* will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 24th inst., with Mails to India through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Mauritius, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, St. Denis, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and America.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked *PAID to Galle only*; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 23rd inst.:—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Express Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 24th inst.:—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through *Australia*, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

Hongkong, January 10, 1878. ja24

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.

The S. S. *Achilles*, will be despatched from Hongkong, on or about SUNDAY, the 27th instant, with Mails for Singapore, Borneo, Cebu, Batavia, Sydney, Melbourne, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence for Southern Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878. ja27

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet *Mirapore*, will be despatched with Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 31st instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 30th instant:—

5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 31st instant:—

7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via *Brindisi*, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, until

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.

Hongkong, January 18, 1878. ja21

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 1st February, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m., Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m., Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West India (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, January 19, 1878. ja2

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

Tenders Close.

Tenders for Docking, &c., of the Bark *Yega* will be received by Captain on Board or Agents until 4 p.m.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, January 25:—

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. O. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited, at No. 59, Queen's Road.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. K. Hotel Co., Limited, at Hongkong Hotel.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

SATURDAY, January 26:—

Claims against the *Niagara* must be sent in to the Agents before Noon.

SUNDAY, January 27:—

Daylight.—*Douglas* leaves for Coast Ports.

MONDAY, January 28:—

Noon.—*Maripeles* leaves for Manila.

Goods per *Galley of Lorne* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, January 31:—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

9 p.m.—Amateur Theatrical Performance at the City Hall.

Glengyle leaves for London on or about this date.

FRIDAY, February 1:—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SATURDAY, February 2:—

Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, closed from this date to 15th February, inclusive.

FRIDAY, February 15:—

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 59, Queen's Road.

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BIRTH.

At Westbourne Villas, on the 23rd inst., the Wife of Captain JOHN MACINTYRE, S. S. *Per*

board the Tung On boat. As he was not known to the Police before, he was now sent to nine months' hard labour.

SHOP LIFTING.

Regina v. Choi A-ming.
The prisoner was arraigned on a charge of stealing a diamond ring, value \$100, the property of Lo A-ming, of the Choi Nam Jeweller's shop, on the 2nd January inst.

The prisoner and another man went to the shop to bargain for the purchase of some gold rings. A number was shown him, but he disapproved of them, and asked a diamond ring to be shown him. One was taken out, worth \$100, and placed on the counter. At this moment two foreigners came into the shop, and the prisoner suddenly left. It was then discovered that a diamond ring was lost and the prisoner was overtaken. At the Station, he was searched but nothing was found on him. When he was sent to Gaol on remand, a further search was made, and the ring was found concealed in his trousers.

Sentence deferred. Later in the day the prisoner was sent to 18 months' hard labour.

LARCENY.

Regina v. James Welsh.
The prisoner was indicted for stealing a purse containing \$8, the property of a man named Charles Smith, on the 28th December 1877. The prisoner and a coloured man went into a house of ill-fame, and it was there the money was taken. The prisoner did not deny that he took \$3, but that he did so for the purpose of taking care of it for the man who was drunk.

The Attorney General said there was certainly a curious fact that the prisoner did not appear to be in want of money, as he had a quantity about him, besides a promissory note for \$250, \$75 of which he had got repaid on account. The question here was whether he took the money with a felonious intent or not.

The prosecutor had gone away since the Magistrate was present, and his evidence before the Jury was returned a verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was discharged.

LARCENY FROM THE PERSON.

Regina v. Lee A-nou.
The prisoner was charged with stealing an earring from a woman in the street, but the evidence was not sufficient, and the prisoner was acquitted.

LARCENY.

Regina v. Lee A-ming.
The prisoner was found guilty of stealing an empty barrel from Messrs. Blackhead & Co. on the 4th January. He was sent to four months' hard labour, there being only one previous conviction against him.

LARCENY &c.

Regina v. Chun A-ming.
The prisoner was found guilty of stealing one pair of old shoes on the 4th inst. He has had five previous convictions against him, and he was now sent to four years' hard labour.

The Sessions were then adjourned till to-morrow at 10 a.m.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL,"
Hongkong, Jan. 22, 1878.

Sir,—The picture of an "Anglo-man" asking for religious equality and bawling the miseries of his lot as one of the minority, is ludicrous in the extreme.

The party he represents have had the education of the masses in their own hands ever since the Reformation. The educational endowments of England have been practically at their disposal. Their ecclesiastical organization reached every town and village in England and Ireland. Money, influence, and legislation, were all at their disposal, and what came of it? In the year 1870, the English Government was compelled to come to the rescue. The English people were practically untaught.

Presbyterian Scotland taught her children well and thoroughly. The public schools of America were the pride of the United States and the envy of England.

England, the land of bibles and churches, was permitting her children to grow up in ignorance and darkness.

The English Government took the matter up in good earnest. It did not establish a supplementary scheme, but laid the foundation of a system of national education.

It undertook to compel the children to attend school for a certain number of days during each year, but it did not, it dared not, undertake to compel these children to receive religious instruction. It found the former task great enough for all its energies.

The Act placed no hindrance in the way of religious teaching—it dealt with secular education only—but as a matter of fact, the Board-School-rooms in England are largely used for religious purposes after the school work is over, and the children are taught both religiously and secularly.

I have no inclination to follow "Anglo-man" in his onslaught on Nonconformists in general, and Hongkong Nonconformists in particular. His letter needs no further consideration.

I am, Sir, yours truly,

J. C. E.

China.

SHANGHAI.

American newspapers received by the last mail contain the nomination of Mr. D. H. Bailey, who for many years has been United States Consul at Hongkong, for the Consul-Generalship of Shanghai; and from the same source we learn that the Hon. G. Wiley Wells, who has been officiating here during the suspension of Mr. J. C. Myers, is nominated as Mr. Bailey's successor. We understand that up to noon yesterday no official notice of these nominations had been received here, but it was enabled to state that, taking time by the forelock as it were, Mr. Wells has telegraphed to Washington declining the Hongkong appointment, and that he now awaits the course of events until the departure of the *Nagoya Maru* on Sunday next. In case he receives no answer by that time, we understand that it is his intention to at once return to America. Mr. Bailey is now at Washington on leave. His nomination as Consul-General here leads us to suppose that Mr. Myers has either resigned the position of Consul-General, or that his suspension by the Hon. G. F. Seward has been confirmed.

(Continued.)

The news of Mr. Goodwin's death was telegraphed yesterday to Lord Derby and

he replied by telegraph to Mr. Mowat immediately. "I have received with much regret the news of Mr. Goodwin's death. Express my sincere sympathy to Mrs. Goodwin."

FOOTNOTES.

(Herald, Jan. 17th.)
On dit—that the Mamoi Arsenal has in great part suspended its operations owing to a scarcity of the sinews of war! This useful establishment is, we believe, almost entirely dependent, on the port duties and *lekin* exactions; consequently, the cessation of Tea shipments is a serious blow to this reputedly Imperial institution.

On a former occasion we alluded at some length to the persistent endeavours made by the local gentry (aided and abetted by native officials) to prevent foreigners from acquiring land either within the city walls or suburbs. The following is a translated copy of a notice out in extremely large characters (painted red to give them greater prominence) on a rock close to the British Consulate at Wu Shih-shan.

"As the Fung Shuey of the entire City is constantly dependent [it, having relation to] on the subtle geomantic influence of this hill, [the dragon's pulse of this hill] (therefore) the public prohibit in future, the sale or renting of land to foreigners (either) on the top or at the bottom of the hill. Should any disobey, the public will determine (the measure of punishment)."

"Engraved on this stone in the 11th moon of the 3rd year of the reign of Kwong Siu."

It must be understood that this inscription is within almost stone's throw of the British Consul's residence on the top of Wu-Shih-shan; that the City authorities must be perfectly well aware of its existence; that the English Church Mission is possessed of legally acquired ground in the vicinity, and that any foreigner is entitled by treaty to purchase land in the neighbourhood at rates prevailing amongst the natives. But that this right is systematically denied by the Chinese authorities is beyond any question. It is proved at this moment by the fact that certain lessees and a broker engaged in the transfer of a building site in this Settlement to an American citizen, are lodged in prison, undergoing the most severe punishment, and it is even rumoured amongst the natives that the unhappy men are doomed to decapitation.

Japan.

(Gazette.)
We are informed by our Osaka correspondent that, from the end of next month, only two foreigners will remain in the mint, viz: the Assayer and an Engineer.

Constable Hazel met with a severe falling on Saturday night from two sailors belonging to the American gun-boat *Alert*. It appears that these two men formed part of a boat's crew to bring an officer ashore, and while the boat was waiting at the habo for the return of the officer they thought it a good opportunity for a run. They started but forgot to return, and in a short time a warrant was issued, by request of the Captain of the *Alert*, to arrest the deserters. Constable Hazel proceeded to execute the warrant, and found the whereabouts of the men, who, on seeing him, speedily decamped. The constable observed the way they were running and took a short cut so as to intercept them, and came upon them unexpectedly in rounding a corner. One of the sailors was armed with a long cudgel, and on perceiving that he had run into the very arms of the constable, with an oath, made a desperate blow at him. To guard his head Hazel raised his left arm and received the full force of the blow upon it, which at once fell helpless by his side.

He then closed with his antagonist, grasping him by the throat. A second blow on the head, however, brought him to the ground, but he still retained his hold on the other's throat, who then called to his mate for a knife "to finish the officer with." The knife was procured and opened, when, fortunately for Mr. Hazel, some Japanese policemen arrived, and the ruffian broke away and fled. The native officers gave chase for a short time but did not succeed in capturing the runaway. The other man was arrested. It was at first thought that the constable's arm was broken, but a surgical examination proved that it was only severely bruised, though he has a bad open wound on the head. This morning Sergeant Loxton proceeded on board the *Alert*, with a warrant for the arrest of the offender, and brought him on shore.

The present of a handsome pair of bronze flower-vases and a lacquered picture, has been made, through H. B. M. Consul, to Captain Kidley, in command of the O. & O. Steamer *Gaelic*. The occasion of the gift is that, in July last, on his passage hence to Hongkong, Captain Kidley was the means of rescuing from drowning the crew, composed of six persons, of a Loohooan junk, which had been wrecked in heavy weather. On the arrival of the steamer in Hongkong, the Captain handed his wife over to the charge of Mr. Ando Taro, Japanese Consul in that port, by whose agency they were returned to their own country. Owing to his favourable report of Captain Kidley's kindness, the above mentioned recognition has been made and the thanks of the Japanese Government conveyed to the O. & O. Company to which the *Gaelic* belongs.

AMERICAN ITEMS.

Lieutenant Franklin, of the U. S. Navy, was married last evening to Miss Ross of this city, and the newly-mated couple left immediately for San Francisco, en route for China, where he has been ordered to duty. Washington, Dec. 18.—D. O. Mills called on the President and Secretary of State, yesterday, in regard to the Chinese problem in California. He claimed that a great deal of misrepresentation had been indulged in; that many of the reports of bad conduct of Chinamen were entirely unfounded; that their presence and labor are not injurious, but, on the contrary, are a great benefit to the Pacific Coast; and that the United States Government is in duty bound to see that they are protected in the enjoyment of the rights guaranteed by our treaty with China. It appears that he came here for the express purpose of making these arguments before the Senate. He left for New York in a few hours afterward. Secretary Everts, in view of the conflicting statements made to him on the subject, seemed inclined to send for official information before recommending any course of action for adoption by the Administration in regard to any of the questions involved. The matter is, however, very likely to come up for further Cabinet discussion sooner than Everts contemplates. The Attorney-General will undoubtedly report that there is no precedent for interference by the General Government to suppress or prevent assaults upon individual rights within State limits, unless such interference and assistance be requested by the State authorities. The

question, whether any such action can be constitutionally voluntary, in order to enforce treaty stipulations, has never before been directly presented; but there seems to be no doubt of a decision in the negative, regardless of the fact that the nation at large would be morally liable for the consequences which might ensue from treaty infractions.

The following letter has been addressed to the President by Representative Page, under date of the 16th:

I desire to call your attention to the question of Chinese immigration, which is now, and has been for some years past, agitating the people of California. I would respectfully ask that you give the subject such consideration as your valuable time will permit. You are doubtless aware that there are now in the State of California more than 150,000 of these people, about one-fifth of whom are females, brought here for immoral purposes, and are now held and owned as slaves. The remaining four-fifths are males equal in number to the voting population of the State, and are, with few exceptions, coolies or slaves, brought here under contract for servile purposes. Many of these come from Hongkong, an English port, under the Treaty with China of 1868. That you may more fully understand this matter, I send you, accompanying this letter, a report of the Senate Committee, made at the last session of the State Legislature, on this subject. I also call your attention to a report of a Joint Special Committee of the Senate, known as Senate Document No. 689. I desire still further to state that in California there is no division of opinion as to the evils of Chinese immigration, and I therefore, on behalf of the people of that State, very respectfully suggest that you make this matter the subject of a special message to Congress when it convenes in January next. Perhaps I ought to add that the condition of affairs in the city of San Francisco for the past few months has occasioned alarm throughout the State, and while it is true that some irresponsible persons, encouraged by a disruptive and noisy mob, are endeavoring to excite a riot, which would be disastrous to the State, the better portion of the community, added by the respectable and responsible Press, is endeavoring to suppress anything like violence, and confidently appeal to the executive and legislative powers of the Government for relief. I cannot, in this brief communication, go further than I have done into the reasons for this request; but fully believing that you are somewhat familiar with the dangers now threatening the people of California on account of this great evil, I close by asking your early and earnest attention to this subject, trusting that some plan may be devised to the end that negotiations may be entered into between our and the Chinese Government, which will satisfactorily settle this vexed question. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your most obedient servant,

H. E. PAGE.

LONDON GOSSIP.

(Pioneer.)
London, Nov. 20th.

I should have much liked to witness the Duke of Norfolk's marriage on Wednesday, but I know beforehand it would be vain to seek admission, and accordingly did not subject myself to a repulse. A lady with whom Monsignor Capel frequently dines had asked him for a ticket to the Oratory on the occasion; but he assured her that not a single member of the ordinary congregation of the Oratory would be admitted, unless invited on the side either of the bride or bridegroom. A well-known artist, who is now painting, "by command," a picture of Princess Louise's wedding, told me that, being desirous of freshening his memory (with reference to the grouping of bridesmaids, I think) on some details, he applied to Father Antrobus, with whom he had some acquaintance, stating his wish and his object. Father Antrobus is on ordinary occasions despot on questions of seats and so forth, within the church. At first Father Antrobus said—"Oh, yes; there would be no difficulty in such a case;" but on Tuesday he wrote to say that he found he had promised more than he was able to perform, and that his authority in the matter of admission was for the nonce quite superseded. I considered myself therefore fairly warned, and did not struggle for the impossible; but contented myself, like some thousands of other ladies, with a view of the return procession, from beneath the canopy, as the Duke of Norfolk's marriage may be happy, I am sure; but if it is, no faith must be put in omens. "Blessed is the bride that the sun shines on," says the old superstition; it rained cats and dogs on the young Duchesses. Moreover, a cart ran into the carriage in which the married pair were leaving the church, smashed one of the lamps, and did other damage, besides frightening the Duchesses out of her wits. But, worst of all, just before the marriage ceremony was over, and when people were expecting every moment the bride party to issue forth, what should troop by but a most stately funeral from the neighbouring West Bromwich Cemetery. There were no fewer than seven mourning coaches with four horses each, besides a much larger number with two. It was impossible not to be struck by the curious coincidence; it looked like a rivalry in pomp and circumstance between the matrimonial and mortuary cavalades. Whose this great funeral was I have not yet heard, but it must have been a fortune to the undertaker. My glimpse of the bride through the thick falling rain was so indistinct that I could derive no opinion of her appearance. I hope, however, that all the photographs in the shop-windows libel her, or else Her Grace is both plain and common looking. Her car, at any rate, has fine eyes. The catalogue of her wedding presents (which I will fill a quarter of a column of the Times, and will be well worth the attention of the gentry who have well cleared out Miss Marjoribanks—I beg your pardon, Lady Aberdeen—to the tune of five thousand pounds. Lady Aberdeen, you know, was only married last week; and the greater part of her wedding gifts have already gone into thieves' pockets. The discovery of the marauders will give a fine opportunity for some clever detectives (if Scotland Yard possesses any) to mount into the pious vacated by Palmer, Melkeldjohn, and Drucovich. Little doubt is entertained that the rogues who have now robbed Lady Aberdeen are the same who a short time ago broke into Battle Abbey, and got such rich loot from the Duchess of Cleveland. More valuable, however, even than the detection of these dangerous gang, is the discovery of the rogues who make it possible for thieves to turn their plunder into cash. By this time, what a curious

thing esprit de corps is, even such partial esprit de corps as exists between barristers and attorneys! I heard two barristers yesterday quite agreeing that Froggatt was too heavily punished with two years' hard labour. Now, most people consider a thieves' lawyer as a much more noxious animal even than the thief himself. These lawyers, however, seemed to consider Froggatt's crime almost a virtue—as if it were only a too generous enthusiasm for his client. I ventured to hint that the enthusiasm was not disinterested, that it was enthusiasm for his fees. "Not at all!" exclaimed one of the barristers, half-seriously, though half-laughing. "He would have his fees and costs in any case. He is engaged to defend a criminal, but not to commit rascality on his behalf. He commits the rascality afterwards from excess of honesty, so to say, in order the better to deserve his money by getting his client off." "A legal adviser's first duty is to his client," added the other barrister. I said—"It is lucky for the public that the judges don't think so." "Ah, but they do, until they get upon the bench," he retorted. Then you will change your views when you get there?" I asked. "I suppose I shall, if I ever do," he returned laughing. I don't assume that these men desired to be taken quite seriously; but many a real motive and sincere opinion is betrayed jestingly.

There is a curious score pervading London just now on the score of *omicide*. This is, it seems, beyond all approach the most terrible poison in the world, prepared from a newly discovered metal, *osmium*. I first heard of it a few nights ago from the lips of Dean Stanley, whom I met at dinner. I was sitting next but one to him on the same side of the table, and did not hear so well what he was saying, or learn much on the subject, as I should have liked. Canon Duckworth also was there, looking very well, and saying a good deal about *omicide*. Speaking of *omicide* said, Dean Stanley said to Duckworth across the table—"Professor Rainforth assures me that a few drops poured on the floor of the chamber" (meaning of course Westminster Abbey) "would in two minutes or less make a clean sweep of the choir and chapter." Fortunately this poison is immensely difficult and costly in the preparation, and would be almost certainly fatal to the agent who should attempt its murderous application. Nevertheless, it is said that *omicide* acid is the weapon on which the more irreconcilable Fenians in America rely to meet the otherwise irresistible military strength of the British Government. Fenian subscriptions are applied to the accumulation of not of rifles and revolvers, but of *omicide* acid. Piously on the morning of the Duke of Norfolk's wedding. It was raining hard as I passed; a hansom-cabman said to me—"Cab, Sir?" I replied—"No, thank you." Before I was out of hearing, the man cried to a friend—"I say, Jim, what a good thing it would be if they'd put down umbrellas by Act of Parliament." I could not help saying to myself, "*Pour des orfèvres, M. Josse*." The only difference in that railway man and cotton spinner can, and cabmen can't, direct legislation in the line of their private interests. Here is a true tale of an umbrella. The Lord Mayor's show was, as you know, just this day fortnight, and it was a shamefully wet day. A man of whom I know a little, from having met him at Sydney Hall's, was in the city on that day somewhere on the line of the procession. He was on the pavement, and had no little difficulty in keeping up his umbrella amid the pressure of the crowd. Indeed, when at one time there was something of a rush, the umbrella came to final grief. One of the points hooked itself into a man's collar; and on the owner lowering it in order to extricate it, the rough near took a pleasure in crushing up against it with their bodies, so that the ribs of the umbrella snapped like dry twigs, and the whole thing was an irreparable wreck. The gentleman, its owner, with the utmost good-temper, put the handle into the hand of the rough who had been the immediate agent of the mischief, with the words, "There, you may as well take it now." The man seemed taken aback, and rather ashamed of himself. He stammered out:—"I beg your pardon, Sir; I'm very sorry;" but the gentleman only replied—"Oh, it can't be helped; but you may as well keep it," and left the ruin in the bewildered fellow's hands. The gentleman drew back again the handle, so as to let the crush pass him, but there was no rudeness. What chaff there was, was directed against the recipient of the umbrella—"I say, Tom, don't be proud." "Well, you are a swell." "Come, Tom, give a chap a bit of your brelle," and so forth. Suddenly, as he was looking about him, the gentleman became aware, in an interval of the procession, that some people were beckoning him from the first floor window of a house opposite, the offices of an Asphalt Company. When they saw that he had noticed them, a window was thrown open, and a man, whom he knew very well, came forward and shouted something. He could not hear the words for the noise of the crowd; but he knew by the accompanying gesture that it was an invitation to go over and join them. It was not an easy thing to get across the street and through the hurrying mob; but by the help of a couple of the city police he managed it a little higher up, and contrived (after first trying at the wrong door) to get into the house, at a window of which he had recognized his friend. Now it was all right. His friend met him on the staircase, got some towels and a brush to rub him dry, and then introduced him to the host of the apartments, and several ladies and gentlemen who were there. There was a kind of running luncheon going on, and it was all very pleasant. Among the ladies to whom he was introduced was a girl, by whose appearance he was very much taken at first sight. The impression must have been reciprocal, for I heard yesterday, that a house where I was taking afternoon tea, through the Lord Mayor's show took place only 13 days before, that that gentleman had already been engaged four days to that young lady! I hear that the lady is exceedingly pretty, and, in a kind of way, an heiress—that is to say, she has a royal, left her by her father in some "patent fuel," which royalty has still a few years to run. So that, on the whole, to all appearance, the hero of my story made rather a gain of the loss of his umbrella.

I believe there is no doubt that the Secretary of State for War is about to cause a full and searching inquiry to be made into the bribery alleged to prevail among officers of the commissariat and other departments. The evidence given at Aldershot last week, upon the trial of Assistant Commissary Spensley, hardly

leaves him any option in the matter. The chief witness, a conductor, avowed on his oath that he himself had been in the habit of bribing many officers who were in the way, to favour the acceptance of his contracts; and a man in the comparatively humble position of a sergeant of cookery confessed that he received a bribe of £23 a month from one contractor. The tariff of quartermasters in the camp is openly stated to be £5 a month, there having been, not long since, something in the nature of a strike against £4, which was the former "customary" rate. I imagine, so long as there is not a radical change of system, that it will defy the ingenuity of the authorities to put an effectual stop to these practices; and one of the most essential parts of the change must, almost of necessity, be an increase of the pay of those who are charged with such responsible duties on the part of the public. The officer who was accused last week has but nine shillings a day pay, after about 21 years' service, a very sufficient and substantial remuneration for a man in the position of a non-commissioned officer; but hardly so for one whose rank and associations impose upon him the social requirements of a gentleman. Of course there is much perturbation, not only at Aldershot but elsewhere, upon the subject of the anticipated revelations; but there is little prospect of the true state of the case being made known, unless there is something like an indemnity given for past irregularities, on condition of a full and frank disclosure.

PRISON DISCIPLINE.

(Pioneer.)
In reply to Sir Edmund Hornby's sensible letter on the discipline of the Hongkong Jail, the *Spectator* appended a little note, in the course of which it said:—"In the Thug prison at Jubbulpore, filled only with murderers, order is as perfect as in an English drawing-room, and the lock almost unknown." The remark is one more illustration of the way the *Spectator* almost invariably talks nonsense when it says anything about India. It would be a sensible kind of paper in its way if it could forget that there was such a place. It is true that the Thugs are murderers. But it is quite untrue that the village and manufactory in which they reside is a prison in the ordinary sense of the word. If the writer in the *Spectator* has seen what he is pleased to call "the Thug prison," he is guilty of intentional misrepresentation. If he knows what Thugs are, he is arguing unfairly in bringing them forward as an example of ruffianism, and as showing the lack to be a superiority of cruelty. The school of industry, as it is called, is a large open courtyard full of beautiful trees, and surrounded by workshops. Opposite the school is a large village, in which the wives and families of the gentle though erst bloody Thugs reside, for the comfort of their lords. The worthy Thugs spend their days in carpet-making, their carpets being eagerly bought up by London houses, and sold as Persian and Turkish, at large prices, in tent-manufacture, carpentry, and other trades. They are under little restraint, and enjoy every luxury which men of their class can want. Some of those who are approvers, under life sentences, are lodged for the night in the Central Prison. But even there they are treated as guests rather than prisoners. They have a snug barracks, with a pretty green lawn round it, a kitchen where they cook their own dinners at their pleasure, and conclude them with the enjoyment of a soothing pipe. They have as much occasion to run away or resist the authority of the benevolent old officer who has charge of their welfare, as any respectable people who may be found in the enjoyment of plenty to get, and nothing or little to do. It may interest some of our readers to know that when the Prince of Wales visited Jubbulpore, some of the most accomplished strangers were summoned by his desire, and mimic murders performed, according to the most scientific method, in the august presence. By the bye, what would it have been if the biggest villains in Millbank were admitted to an audience by the Prince, in order that, like Dr. Lynn, they might show him "how it's done?" We leave the answer to the *Spectator*. No one knows better how to raise the shriek of outraged morality.

ENGLISH POLITICS.

The London correspondent of the New York Times writes:—
It is worth noting that just as the Liberals begin to talk of the prospect of a united party on home legislation, Mr. Lowe and Mr. Gladstone, two distinguished leaders, are fighting a political controversy on the question of the county franchise. Mr. Lowe, in direct opposition to Mr. Gladstone, predicts that the enfranchisement of the agricultural laborer will be fatal to the Liberal party. He is right. Eminent Conservatives, when the ballot became a party question, prophesied that the first election under the ballot would be destructive to the vaunted Liberal majority. And it was so. It would take 50 years of active political life to make the agricultural laborers Radicals. Give them votes to-day, and they will go for the Tory ticket in vast majorities. Mr. Lowe is a much shrewder statesman than Gladstone is, and if Government could get rid next year of the Eastern question, they would enfranchise the rural laborer with perfect confidence in his support. The truth is, the so-called Liberal programme is pretty well played out. The Conservatives are not afraid of a broad extension of the county franchise, and the disestablishment of the Church counts as many opponents in the Liberal ranks as it does on the Tory side. But there is not much prospect of a vast amount of home legislation for next year. Whether there is peace or war, Ministers and Parliament will be largely occupied with foreign affairs. Moreover, a change is coming over the views of many distinguished Liberals, in regard to the Russo-Turkish War. The triple alliance is gradually growing up in a scare that shakes the long cherished faith of some of the Czar's staunchest admirers in Great Britain. Bismarck's reported renewal of overtures to Belgium, with the commentary of diplomats that the little State is beginning to doubt the reality and power of the British pledge of protection, coupled with the statement that Germany will support Russia's claim to sail her war vessels into the Bosphorus, make some of the English Muscovites among the Liberal party begin to shake in their shoes. And in the meantime the Conservatives are slightly panic-stricken at the continual cropping out of the rumour that Lord Beaconsfield is determined to retire from the responsibilities of public life. I heard it positively stated last night at the Junior Carlton Club, which is just

now entertaining the Senior Club, that Lord Beaconsfield had only very recently again tendered his resignation to the Queen, and that she begged him not to withdraw from office at present. "It is a pity," said a well-known political leader on the Ministerial side of the House of Commons; "It is a pity the Premier hadn't his own way; we shall have to fight the Russians at last, and we had far better have done it six months ago than be forced into it when the Turks are beaten. We ought to have defined British interests as Beaconsfield wished; and first and foremost we should have said to the Russians: 'You don't touch Armenia; and in Europe you don't cross the Balkans, to resume the Christians of Bulgaria.' Beaconsfield would have handed the Straits, Adrianople and Constantinople, to our keeping; while they poured all their forces down the Danube to meet the Russians, where they should have met at first. But Beaconsfield stood alone, and where are we now? In a hundred times worse position than we were at first." I asked him if he believed the Premier wishes to retire. "I know he does," was the reply; "he is old, has worked every day of his life, and has attained all that man can attain in this world; he is continually fighting his Cabinet, and he is getting sick of the entire business." I asked him who would succeed Lord Beaconsfield. "Northcote, Derby or Salisbury," he said; "but all rolled into one wouldn't make a Beaconsfield. Sir Stafford is not a clever leader; Lord Derby has the confidence of the party; Lord Salisbury is an able man than either, and hasn't the confidence of anybody."

Quotations.

Hongkong, January 23, 1878.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, \$600
" Old Patna, cash, None
" credit, None
" New Benares, cash, 570
" Old Benares, cash, None
" credit, None
" New Malwa, cash, 710
" credit, 710
" Allowance Telsa, —
" Old Malwa, cash, —
" credit, 715
" Allowance Telsa, —

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, ... 8/104
" 30 days sight, ... 8/104
" 6 months sight, ... 8/111
Credit, ... 8/112
Documentary, 6 months sight, ... 9/112
Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 224
Calcutta, ... 224
Shanghai, demand, ... 71
" 30 days, ... 71
Bar Silver, 17, dwt. B., ... 10 1/2
Sycee, ... 1 p. c. pm.
Mexicans, ... 26.20
Gold Leaf, ... 5.06
English Sovereigns, ... 5.06
Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.06
Discount, ... 6 to 8

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 88 1/2 prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,250
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$3,250
Chinese Insurance Co., \$202 1/2
Yankee Ins. Co., \$1,610
North China Ins. Co., \$1,860
H.R. Fire Ins. Co., \$690
Chia Fire Ins. Co., \$176
H.F. & W. Dock Co., 6 1/2 dia.
H.K. & M. S.-boat Co., 12 1/2 dia.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, \$126
Hongkong Gas Co., \$75
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$57
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$104
Do, 1877, \$102.10/.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Premises Queen's Road.)
HONGKONG, January 23, 1878.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. ... 30.350
Do, 1 P.M. ... 30.250
Do, 4 P.M. ... 30.270
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. ... 64
Do, 1 P.M. ... 68
Do, 4 P.M. ... 68
Do, (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 61
Do, Do, 1 P.M. ... 55
Do, Do, 4 P.M. ... 60
Do, Maximum over night ... 61
Do, Minimum over night ... 51

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.			
AT HONGKONG.			
When left.	Name.	From.	Remarks.
Aug.			
11,	North Star,	Cardiff	
14,	Regulus,	Cardiff	
14,	Moss Glen,	Penarth	
14,	Patris,	Cardiff	
17,	John Potts,	New York	
19,	Felix Mendelssohn,	London	
27,	Charger,	Liverpool	
Sept.			
3,	Andrea,	Flushing Roads	
4,	Humbolt,	New York	
7,	Hecla,	Flushing Roads	
10,	River Lagan,	Cardiff	
15,	G. F. Muntz,	Newport	
18,	Wildwood,	Liverpool	
20,	River Lagan,	Cardiff	
21,	P. J. Carleton,	Liverpool	
22,	Harleway,	Liverpool	
23,	Victoria (s.),	Liverpool	
23,	Fidella,	Hamburg	
25,	Maria Ravano,	Penarth	
30,	Peter,	Cardiff	
Oct.			
2,	Anna Bertha,	Oxshaven	
8,	Forest Belle,	Cardiff	
8,	Empire,	Newport	
8,	Eleanore,	Penarth	
9,	Kaiser,	Penarth	
16,	Minerva (s.),	London	
18,	Wega,	Cardiff	
19,	Oscar,	Hamburg	
25,	Benedicta,	San Francisco	
30,	Lodona,	London	
30,	Alden Bense,	Astoria	
Nov.			
1,	Elizabeth Oatle,	Antwerp	
2,	Cadiz (s.),	Liverpool	
2,	Johann Smidt,	London	
2,	Minna,	London	
3,	Elizabeth Shields,	Hamburg	
27,	Lorne (s.),	London	
Dec.			
1,	Glengaber,	Flushing	
1,	Nestor (s.),	Liverpool	
2,	Otto,	Hamburg	
3,	Charmaine (s.),	London	
6,	Devana,	London	

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUER, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSILLES;
Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 24th January,
1878, at Noon, the Company's
S. S. TIGRE, Commandant LORIMER,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.
on the 24th January, 1878. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 17, 1878. ja24



STEAM FOR
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,
Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean
Ports, Southampton,
and London,
Also,
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
MIRAFLORES, Captain PARRIS, will leave
this on THURSDAY, the 31st January,
at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London, will
be conveyed via Bombay without tranship-
ment, arriving one week later than by the
direct route. Silk and Valuables will be
transferred to the Calcutta steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent,
Hongkong, January 18, 1878. ja31

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL

UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES
AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be de-
parted for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on FRIDAY, the 1st February,
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 31st January. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878. ja1

Intimations.

NOTICE.

A MILLAR & Co.,
PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS,
Queen's Road East,
HONGKONG.
September 18, 1877.

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;
and to
H. E. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA.

Wyndham Street, formerly ARIZONIA CLUB.

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collection of Views of China, Photo-
graphic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of
various sizes. Also S. S. Type, Revolving
Standard Album, Albums, Monograms
and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather,
Velvet and carded-wood Albums, Cases and
Frames, also Albums for Cabinet Portraits
only, Portraits of the Generals of the
present Russo-Turkish War, Excellent English
State-prints, the two Chinese Ambassadors,
in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes
Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

Intimations.

IN THE GOODS OF
GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS,
Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Cre-
ditors and other Persons, having any
CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against
the Estate of GEORGE UNDERHILL
SANDS, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Pat-
ent Slip Proprietor and Ship-builder, who
died at Victoria aforesaid on the 30th
day of October, 1877, and whose Will was
duly proved, Probate whereof was granted
to WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, of Victoria
aforesaid, Esquire, the Executor therein
named by the Supreme Court of Hong-
kong, in its Probate Jurisdiction on the
8th day of November, 1877, are hereby re-
quired to send, in writing, the particulars
of their Claims or Demands to the said
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES at his address
aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM
HENRY BREBETON, the Solicitor of the said
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, at the
office of the said Wm. Henry Brebeton,
29, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before
the 1st day of May, 1878.

And notice is hereby given that at the ex-
piration of the last mentioned day, the said
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES will proceed to
distribute the assets of the said GEORGE
UNDERHILL SANDS amongst the parties
entitled thereto, having regard to the
Claims of which the said WILLIAM HOWELL
FORBES shall then have had notice; and
that the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES
will not be liable for the assets, or any part
thereof, so distributed, to any person of
whose Claim the said WILLIAM HOWELL
FORBES shall not have had notice at the
time of the distribution.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1878.

WM. H. BREBETON,
Solicitor for the said
WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES.

AH YON,
SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND
STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya West.

SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF
COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH
PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S
STORES

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS,

Have always on hand for Sale every
description of COAL at Moderate Prices.

Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager,
and all Orders addressed to him at 57,
Praya, or to Mr. FAN JAC, at 20, Hing
Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-
tion.

Hongkong, March 19, 1877. mol9

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office—Price, \$1 each.
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INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Batavia and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTREY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Coals, in Matchboxes, on Goods on board
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-
bour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, terms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE to the extent of
£45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

INSURANCES.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSO-
CIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up.....TL. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE....." 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....." 75,000
Total Capital and accumula-
tions this date.....TL. 725,000

Directors:

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. W. BOD, Esq. | O. KERR, Esq.
M. P. EVANS, Esq. | O. LUCAS, Esq.

Secretaries:

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.
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Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.

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all parts of the World, at current
rates.
Subject to a charge of 12% for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS
OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be
annually distributed among all Contribu-
tors of Business in proportion to the
premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ocl

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits
are distributed annually to Contributors,
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premiums contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPIC & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1878.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MILNERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared
to grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
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Hongkong, July 6, 1878.

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COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

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KWOK ACHONG, Merchant.
PANG YIM, Merchant.
Ho Sam, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant.
Loo Yee, of the Yee On Ho, Merchant.
Lee Sing, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant.
CHEUNG SING YONG, Merchant.
CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on
Buildings and on Goods stored
therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to
DISCOUNT of 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, 43, Bonham Strand.

Hongkong, August 28, 1877. au28

THE LONDON ASSURANCE
COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter
of

His Majesty King George The Third,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 50% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF MANCHESTER
AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusives of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at
Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the
Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Class.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Amoy	2	Drewes	Brit. str.	876	Jan. 6	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Bertha	4	Langley	Brit. str.	1421	Jan. 21	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Camoes	2	Brit.	str.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Ah-chong	Shanghai	Repairing
Caribbrooke	2	Wharton	Brit. str.	986	Dec. 19	Man Hing Chan	Hohow & Halphong	Coast Ports
Dals	2	Thompson	Brit. str.	654	Jan. 21	Yuen Fat Hong	Shanghai	Tug Flying
Donglas	5	Pitman	Brit. str.	864	Jan. 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Flintshire	6	Stopan	Brit. str.	117	Dec. 28	H. K. & W'poa Dock Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Galley of Lorne	3	Thomas	Brit. str.	1243	Dec. 28	H. Kier & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Hochung	4	McDonald	Brit. str.	1389	Jan. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Y'hama, Higo, &c.	To-day at daylight
Keinchow	2	Peterson	Ohl. str.	849	Jan. 23	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Malacca	5	Smith	Brit. str.	1104	Jan. 14	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Marcel	3	Broker	Brit. str.	1000	Jan. 12	Stemmen & Co.	Saigon	Cleared
Mariveles	2	Munoz	Span. str.	359	Oct. 18	Remedios & Co.	Y'hama & S. F. Luzon	K'loon Dock
Oceanic	2	Metcalfe	Brit. str.	8700	Jan. 18	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Y'hama & S. F. Luzon	1st prox. Sander's Slip
Panay	3	Goyenchoa	Span. str.	800	Oct. 30	Remedios & Co.	Saigon	
Quarta	5	Haye	Ger. str.	781	Jan. 20	Captain	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Sea Gull	5	Roberts	Brit. str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Sin Naning	1	Drage	Brit. str.	714	Dec. 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Tigre	5	Lorimer	Foh. str.	2054	Jan. 21	Messageries Maritimes	Marcelles, &c.	Tomorrow Mails
Volga	5	Rolland	Foh. str.	1043	Jan. 21	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	
W. Cores de Vries	4	Holland	Brit. str.	478	Jan. 18	Chinese	Hohow	
Y. Cores de Vries	3	S. Ashton	Brit. str.	559	Nov. 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	K'loon Dock
Zanibar	5	Hawkins	Brit. str.	289	Jan. 20	Kwok Ah-chong	Halphong	
Fox	5	Fox	Brit. str.	1460	Jan. 18	Melchers & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
Abernyte	6	Congour	Brit. bge.	728	Jan. 16	Order		
Ada Waiwai	2	Wardell	Am. 3m. sc.	558	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	Saigon	
Adelphi & Marianne	2	Dahl	Ger. bge.	300	Jan. 7	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Alden Bessie	1	Noyes	Amer. bge.	842	Dec. 27	Rozario & Co.		
Alphington	3	Cunningham	Brit. bge.	328	Sept. 6	Wieler & Co.		Certain Dock For Sale
Amie Florence	2	Johnson	Brit. bge.	687	Dec. 8	Borneo Co., Limited	Melbourne & Sydney	Sander's Slip
Angeles	2	Barbeyron	Foh. bge.	891	Nov. 14	Carlowitz & Co.		
Anna	8	Jessen	Ger. bge.	447	Jan. 7	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Annie M. Small	2	Gales	Brit. bge.	752	Jan. 8	Chinese		
Antipodes	2	Packer	Amer. sh.	1053	Dec. 4	Russell & Co.		
Assens	3	Wyeth	Brit. bge.	593	Jan. 16	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
B. F. Watson	7	Wandel	Dan. bge.	265	Dec. 4	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Dunkirk	
Beethoven	3	Hawkins	Amer. bge.	993	Nov. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Brisbane	4	Haje	Ger. bge.	840	Nov. 26	Melchers & Co.		Sander's Slip
Broomhall	4	Hudleston	Brit. bge.	394	Dec. 17	Russell & Co.		
Carl Ritter	4	Bate	Brit. sh.	1879	Oct. 28	Meyer & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Charles Andrews	8	Lausen	Brit. bge.	598	Jan. 6	Stemmen & Co.		
Charley Oak	7	Bestie	Brit. bge.	383	Nov. 30	Rozario & Co.		
City of Halifax	8	Staples	Amer. sh.	963	Oct. 24	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu	Wanchai Pier
Clara	8	Evans	Brit. sh.	898	Nov. 24	Meyer & Co.	Swatow	Cleared
Corsair	2	Almums	Brit. sh.	938	Nov. 7	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Dauphin	2	Vincent	Amer. soh.	150	Sept. 28	Insurance Co.		
E. von Beaulieu	3	Lehmann	Foh. bge.	318	Jan. 7	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Edo	3	Schneider	Ger. bge.	869	Jan. 6	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Edward P. Bourville	3	Potz	Brit. bge.	869	Dec. 22	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		Wanchai Pier
Falcon	8	Evans	Brit. bge.	869	Dec. 22	Order		
Fanny	1	Barry	Brit. bge.	708	Dec. 22	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Frederick A. Balough	4	Degomson	Foh. bge.	818	Jan. 12	Carlowitz & Co.		
Frederick Clark	4	Riste	Ger. bge.	240	Jan. 13	Carlowitz & Co.		
Gerdmann	8	Dwight	Amer. sh.	1838	Jan. 19	Battles & Co.		
Haddon	7	Westergaard	Ger. bge.	418	Dec. 26	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Chetoo	
Hortense	2	Eraser	Brit. bge.	337	Nov. 20	Wieler & Co.		
H. H. Weygum	2	Waterson	Siam. bge.	449	Dec. 20	Tak Mee		K'loon Dock
Ida	2	Didrichsen	Ger. sh.	588	Jan. 16	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	2	Romney	Brit. bge.	515	Jan. 8	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Ida	2	McEadem	Brit. bge.	456	Dec. 28	H. Kier & Co.		
Ida	3	Lang	Brit. bge.	472	Dec. 28	Chinese		
Ida	3	Farrell	Brit. sh.	658	Dec. 22	Meyer & Co.		
Ida	3	Thompson	Amer. sh.	1878	Aug. 19	Russell & Co.	Manila	
Ida	4	Volquardsen	Ger. bge.	872	Dec. 12	Wieler & Co.	Chetoo	
Ida	4	Treat	Amer. bge.	673	Jan. 18	Meyer & Co.		
Ida	4	Pens	Ger. bge.	463	Dec. 6	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Ida	4	Stoll	Ger. bge.	830	Dec. 17	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Shanghai	
Ida	4	Dickson	Ger. bge.	1000	Jan. 22	Melchers & Co.		
Ida	4	Cave	Brit. bge.	873	Nov. 24	Chinese		
Ida	4	Moberg	Russ. sh.	1385	Dec. 20	Landstefn & Co.		
Ida	4	West	Brit. bge.	504	Dec. 31	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Ida	4	Windt	Ger. bge.	288	Dec. 18	Butterfield & Swire		
Ida	4	Wass	Russ. bge.	690	Jan. 12	Order	Hamburg	
Ida	4	Wass	Brit. bge.	680	Dec. 8	Rozario & Co.		
Ida	4	Fox	Brit. bge.	682	Jan. 21	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Ida	4	Gleason	Foh. bge.	380	Nov. 25	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	4	Guthbox	Foh. bge.	425	Nov. 25	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	4	Hoves	Am. 3m. sc.	266	Dec. 23	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Ida	4	Plumley	Brit. 3m. sc.	272	Jan. 14	Olyphant & Co.	New York	
Ida	4	Prior	Brit. bge.	437	Dec. 3	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	London	
Ida	4	Soule	Am. 3m. sc.	484	Dec. 7	Captain		
Ida	4	Ravindie	Brit. soh.	74	Jan. 14	Order	Singapore	Cleared
Ida	4	Michelsen	Siam. bge.	670	Jan. 29	Tack Mee	Manila	
Ida	4	Wachhausen	Ger. bge.	920	Dec. 29	Melchers & Co.		
Ida	4	Tarek	Siam. sh.	711	Jan. 6	Chinese		
Ida	4	Wortley	Brit. bge.	327	Jan. 6	Wieler & Co.		
Ida	4	Olyma	Brit. sh.	2394	Oct. 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London & Hamburg	
Ida	4	Blatz	Ger. bge.	392	Jan. 16	Stemmen & Co.		
Ida	4	Schell	Ger. bge.	276	Dec. 17	Edward Schellhass & Co.		
Ida	4	Bernard	Brit. bge.	830	Jan. 6	Wieler & Co.		
Ida	4	Bunte	Siam. bge.	429	Jan. 27	Captain		
Ida	4	Schultz	Ger. bge.	898	Dec. 27	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Ida	4	Timmsen	Brit. 3m. sc.	204	Jan. 1	Meyer & Co.		
Ida	4	Francols	Foh. bge.	286	Nov. 26	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	4	Durand	Foh. bge.	388	Jan. 4	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	4	Bare	Foh. bge.	387	Jan. 4	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ida	4	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.		
Ida	4	Kaemena	Ger. bge.	256	Jan. 11	Melchers & Co.		
Ida	4	Williams	Siam. bge.	654	Dec. 27	Chinese		
Ida	4	Lozer	Ger. soh.	60	Dec. 30	Captain		Jardine's Slip
Ida	4	Nordvred	Norw. bge.	585	Jan. 6	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Ida	4	Martin	Brit. bge.	600	Jan. 12	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Ida	4	Dicks	Brit. bge.	802	Dec. 22	Melchers & Co.	Nientin	
Ida	4	Salihhan	Ger. bge.	634	Dec. 20	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Guinlon	
Ida	4	Baumann	Brit. bge.	919	Jan. 8	Wieler & Co.		
WHAMPOA								
Müller	Ger. str.			1176	Jan. 20	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Brown	Ger. str.			978	Jan. 18	Meyer & Co.		
Maries Mureau	Foh. bge.			892	Jan. 13	Landstefn & Co.		
Martine	Ger. bge.			541	Jan. 18	Chinese		
Wildfang	Ger. 3m. sc.			282	Jan. 14	Melchers & Co.		
Schwert	Dan. bge.			343	Dec. 24	Edward Schellhass & Co.	Trieste	
Hansen	Amer. sh.			1066	Jan. 18	Captain		
Miller	Brit. str.			796	Jan. 18	Stemmen & Co.		
Orr	Brit. str.			781	Jan. 21	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	
Hopkins	Brit. str.			882	Jan. 20	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	
Deville	Brit. str.			882	Jan. 28	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	
CANTON								
Ching	Brit. str.			796	Jan. 18	Stemmen & Co.		
Ching	Brit. str.			781	Jan. 21	Stemmen & Co.		
Ching	Brit. str.			882	Jan. 20	Stemmen & Co.		
Ching	Brit. str.			882	Jan. 28	Butterfield & Swire		